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In re U.S. Patent Application of

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RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

Sir:

This is in response to the office action dated September 13, 2004, in the above identified application, to which the period for response will expire on December 13, 2004. Please amend the above identified application as follows: